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ALBANY, ALABAMA, (NEW DECATUR, ALA. POSTOFFICE.) THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 1917.

WEATHER
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AMBASSADOR GERARD IS DETAINED IN GERMANY

41 PERSONS MAY BE KILLED WHEN BIG LINER IS SUNK

British Steamer California Is Victim Of Sixth Day Of Germany's Campaign Of Ruthlessness.

ONE ALABAMIAN WAS ON LOST SHIP

(International News Service.)
BULLETIN.

London—AN AMERICAN SEAMAN IS REPORTED TO HAVE BEEN KILLED WHEN THE BRITISH STEAMSHIP TORINO WAS SUNK BY A SUBMARINE TODAY.

(International News Service.)

Washington, Feb. 8.—Forty-one persons are missing as the result of the torpedoing by a German submarine of the Anchor liner California, according to a cablegram from Consul Frost at Queenstown to the state department today.

Consul General Frost has officially reported to Ambassador Page at London that the Evestone was sunk without warning.

SECRET WHISPERED TO LEAK PROBERS BY MRS. VISCONTI

WASHINGTON WOMAN REFUSES TO TESTIFY ABOUT PEACE NOTE LEAK PUBLICLY.

(International News Service.)

Washington, Feb. 8.—The house leak investigation was carried on in executive session today when Mrs. Ruth Visconti, called as a star witness, refused to tell her story in public. She had written to Thos. W. Lawson that W. W. Price, a newspaper correspondent, was the go-between for Joseph Tumulty in stock market speculations.

Mrs. Visconti after the executive session wrote the name of her informant on a piece of paper which was shown secretly to members of the committee. The committee reserved the right to make the name public if necessary.

After supplying this name Attorney Whipple suddenly excused Mrs. Visconti from the stand.

Morgan County Masons In Annual Conference

W. J. Whittaker of Birmingham, Dealers Address Friday.

The Masonic conference composed of all the Masonic lodges in Morgan county began a three-day session last night at the Masonic hall on Johnston street, the meeting being held under the auspices of Rising Sun lodge of Decatur. The conference will end Friday night.

The welcoming address was delivered by A. G. Patterson, of Albany, the response being made by J. B. Cassels of Decatur.

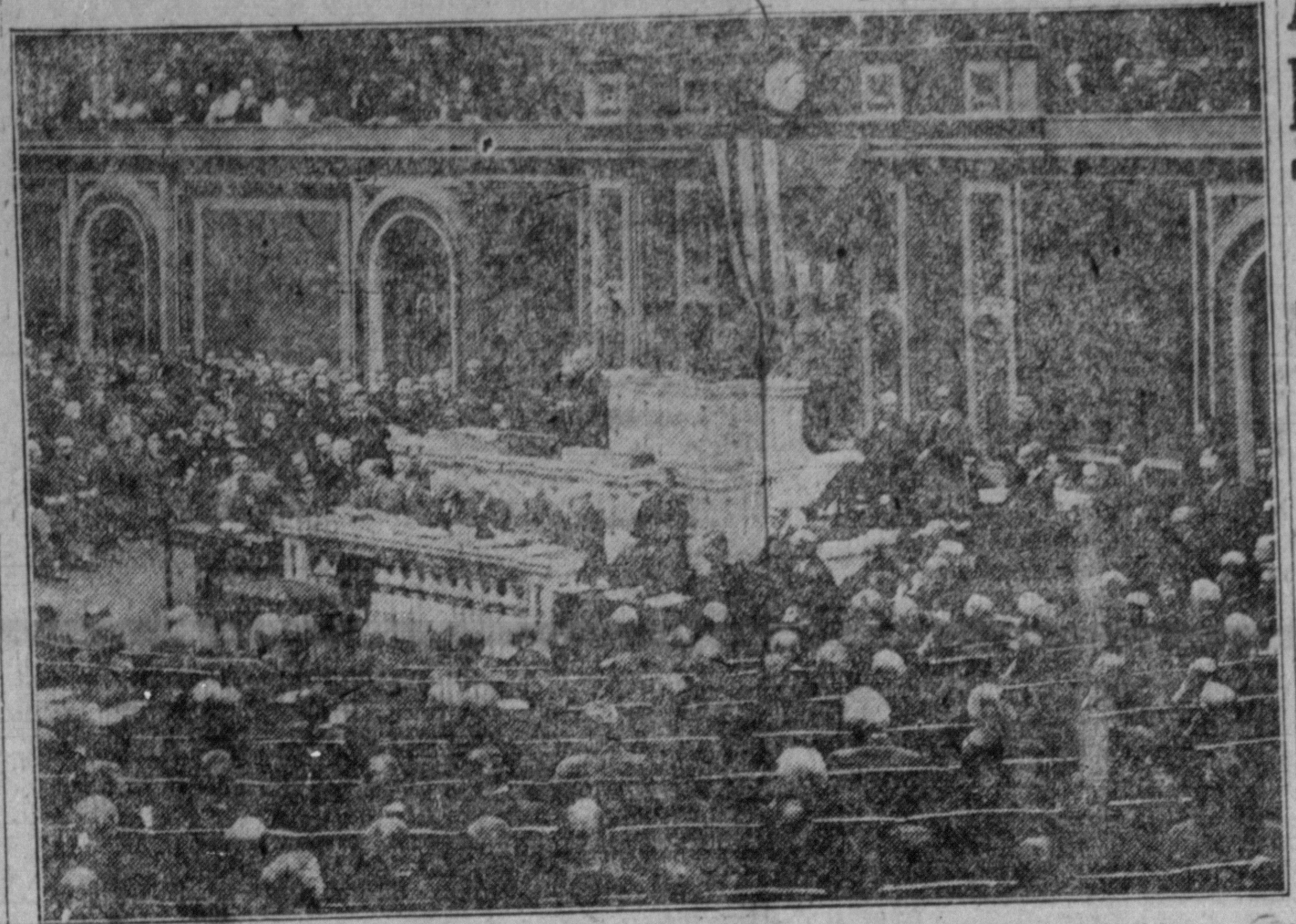
Worshipful Master C. P. Price introduced to the conference W. J. Whittaker, of Birmingham, chairman of the committee of work of the grand lodge of Alabama. Mr. Whittaker delivered an instructive address on Masonry stressing the practical application of the emblems and working tools of the order to the lives of Masons. Mr. Whittaker drew a beautiful allegory in which the construction of the physical buildings of stone and mortar as originally conceived by the order was likened to the present day conception of the principles of Masonry as used in constructing the spiritual body.

The conference then took up the ritualistic work. A large number of Masons from all parts of the county are in attendance.

RIVER STAGE.

Chattanooga, Feb. 8.—(Special.)—The following river stages were announced by the government here today: Chattanooga, 12; Bridgeport, 6.2; Guntersville, 15.8.

WILSON TELLING CONGRESS OF THE BREAK



President Wilson addressing congress February 3 on the developments following Germany's decision to wage ruthless submarine warfare and telling the lawmakers of the breaking off of diplomatic relations with the kaiser's government.

OIL DEVELOPMENT IN THIS SECTION ATTRACTS NOTICE OF ENTIRE STATE

PROMOTERS AND DEVELOPERS MAKE INQUIRIES AND LEASES ARE BEING SOUGHT BY OUTSIDE CAPITAL.

TEST WELL AS SUNK SOON

MRS. GEORGE A. NELSON ALREADY IN COMMUNICATION WITH DRILLERS IN THE CORDOVA FIELD. OTHERS INTERESTED.

BORINGS FOR OIL

IN MORGAN COUNTY. Four times has the soil of Morgan county been pierced in the hope of finding gas and oil. Each attempt had the same result—oil and gas were discovered and then the effort was discontinued.

The history of these activities is briefly as follows:

Well drilled at Hartselle in 1888. Gas and oil found at a depth of 1,800 feet. Augur broke.

The Young well drilled four miles from Hartselle to depth of 1,800 feet; augur lost and boring discontinued after oil and gas found.

Well drilled at Falkville in 1902; about 1,600 feet. Found oil and gas and quit for lack of funds.

Well drilled at Teahit. Oil and gas found at 1,800 feet. Machinery wrecked and work abandoned.

Inspired by the belief that oil exists in paying quantities in Morgan county, prospectors within the next few weeks will begin to sink shafts deep into the earth in quest of the precious fluid that has made Standard Oil stock more highly prized than is the paper of the best paying gold mining concerns.

Mrs. G. A. Nelson is already negotiating with experienced oil men now in the Cordova field to drill a well on her property near the famous spring where the Indians found the first oil known to America, while the report comes from Hartselle that a Mr. Mitchell there will also begin activities soon, and that D. W. Day is negotiating with Sam Hobson, the promoter, for the extensive exploitation of the local field.

On top of this comes the announcement that in the event the test well to be sunk here by Mrs. Nelson at her own expense proves a success, that the Great Southern Oil & Development Company will be re-organized, and that foreign capital may be enlisted.

HE WENT TO THE MOVIES



Count von Bernstorff, the dismissed German ambassador, snapped just after he had delivered the note from the kaiser which resulted in the rupture of diplomatic relations. He was on his way to a moving picture house where he saw German war films.

SPAIN PROTESTS STRONGLY NEW U-BOAT WARFARE

(International News Service.)

Madrid, Feb. 8.—The Spanish note, protesting against Germany's unrestricted warfare says in part:

"The methods of war announced by Germany are being carried to such an unprecedented and unexpected extent that the Spanish government, considering its rights and the requirements of its neutrality, must with still more reason protest calmly but firmly to the German government and at the same time must make the necessary reserves imposed by the responsibility which the imperial government assumes, principally in view of the loss of life which this attitude may cause. These claims are based upon the duty which binds a government to protect the lives of its subjects and maintain the integrity of its sovereignty."

3 HOUSES ROBBED BY BOLD BURGLARS HOUNDS TAKE TRAIL TO NEGRO'S HOUSE

BLACK IS SEEN LEAVING WYKER HOME BY MEMBERS OF THE FAMILY AT THE WINNER TABLE.

SMITH RESIDENCE ENTERED

TRAIL TO HOUSE NEAR CEMETERY FAILS TO LOCATE THE NEGRO, BUT A CLUE IS FOUND IN REPORT.

The Decatur police today are searching for a clue to the persons who robbed the home of R. L. Smith, on West Church street, yesterday, and the home of Alderman John D. Wyker last night, and the home of Pat Brock. The Wyker robbery occurred while members of the family were at the dinner table about 6 o'clock and the negro was seen as he left through a window.

A watch and other valuables were taken from the Smith home. The robbery is thought to have occurred just after daybreak yesterday but was not discovered until later.

A handbag, a small sum of money and two pairs of eye glasses were taken from the home of Mr. Wyker. It is said the police have at least one negro under suspicion. An arrest is expected soon.

A handbag stolen from the Brock residence, was left by the robber at the home of Mr. Wyker, together with valuable insurance papers. A child's locket and a rank were the only articles obtained. Mrs. Brock stated today she was not aware of the robbery until phoned by Mrs. Wyker that her handbag had been left there.

Hounds on Trail.

Following the robbery of the Wyker home, which was one of the boldest in years here, bloodhounds were obtained and put on the trail. They followed it across the railroad to the home of a negro near the city cemetery.

The person being trailed is thought to have left before the arrival of the officers, as the hounds did not find the man they sought. No arrests were made.

The police are working diligently on both cases. Burglaries have become numerous all over North Alabama during the past few weeks. One was reported from Stevenson, Ala., a few nights ago, while the Huntville newspapers are reporting several each week.

AMBASSADOR GERARD HELD AS HOSTAGE IN THE GERMAN EMPIRE

New York Times Receives Dispatch From Copenhagen That Apparently Is Convincing

WIRES ARE RECEIVED BY MINISTER EAGAN

All Americans Now In Kaiser's Realms to Be Held Until Von Bernstorff Arrives, Is Startling Report

(International News Service.)

Washington, Feb. 8.—Information that Ambassador Gerard, his assistants and the American consuls in Germany and the prisoners taken to Germany on the steamer Yarrowdale are "detained" in Germany was received by the state department today. They are not held as "hostages" is officially stated but their position may lead to serious embarrassment. The German government simply has withheld passports to any of the officials "for the present," according to the information received here.

The German action is not precautionary for the fate of former Ambassador Von Bernstorff, officials here say. It followed the receipt of news in Berlin that the United States had actually seized a German war bound ship. Officials said today that denials that any such action had been taken would, they hoped, clear the atmosphere.

(International News Service.)

New York, Feb. 8.—The New York Times today printed the following cablegram from its Copenhagen correspondent:

Copenhagen, Feb. 7.—"I am authorized by the American legation to say that Minister Eagan today received several sensational dispatches from Ambassador Gerard, the latter telegraphing that the German authorities will not permit Americans to leave Germany at present. He says that he and his staff and all American consular officials will be detained until the safe arrival of Count Von Bernstorff and the German crews from the interned German ships in America. The German authorities are denying Mr. Gerard the right to telegraph in code. All correspondence with the Copenhagen legation is in plain English. Ambassador Gerard advised Minister Eagan that the sailors captured on the Yarrowdale will be detained on the same grounds as other Americans."

SWISS MINISTER TAKES OVER GERMAN INTERESTS

(International News Service.)

Washington, Feb. 8.—Ambassador Page at London today cabled the state department that German interests have been taken over by the Swiss minister.

ENTENTE GRANTS SAFE CONDUCT TO BERNSTORFF

(International News Service.)

Washington, Feb. 8.—The French government acting for all the entente allies today notified the state department that it had granted safe conduct for Count Von Bernstorff, dismissed German ambassador and his suite.

The announcement that the allies will not interfere with the return of Ambassador Bernstorff to Germany dismisses, it is understood, every possibility of difficulty in sending the diplomat back to Berlin. Arrangements have been completed for his sailing on the Frederick VIII next Tuesday.

BOLIVIA WILL SUPPORT U. S. MINISTER SAYS

(International News Service.)

London, Feb. 8.—A Reuter dispatch from La Paz today states that announcement has been made by the Bolivian foreign minister that his government will support the United States in its attitude on the submarine situation.

Foreign Submarine Is Sighted Nearing Boston By Tugmen

(International News Service.)

Boston, Feb. 8.—Appearance of a large submarine, evidently foreign, in the sound entrance to Boston harbor has thrown consternation into shipping circles here. Captain Smith Ross of the tug Sadie Ross, reported sighting a submarine at the harbor entrance and he declared that the ship he saw was not an American vessel, claiming it was much larger than any built in this country. Before he could bring his boat up to determine its nationality the submarine disappeared.

HOUSE PLANS TO PASS NAVY BILL

(International News Service.)

Washington, Feb. 8.—The house plans to pass before adjournment tonight the naval appropriation bill, chief of the measures to put the United States in readiness to defend its rights on the seas in the present crisis.

Carrying appropriations of unprecedented proportions and strengthened by drastic amendments, the bill has been so framed as to give the president acting through the secretary of the navy almost unlimited powers in marshalling the nation's resources to the nation's defense.

Steamers Offered To U. S. In Case Of War

(International News Service.)

Washington, Feb. 8.—The biggest single offer to the government in case of war was made today by the Mexican Petroleum Company through its president, E. L. Dehenoy. The company tendered to President Wilson in case of war its ten big tank steamers, Mrs. Dehenoy's private yacht and "anything else that it has which might be required."

62 SHIPS VICTIMS OF SUBMARINES

GERMANY'S RUTHLESS UNDERSEA WARFARE CLAIMS 125,255 TOTAL TONNAGE.

(International News Service.)

London, Feb. 8.—Sixty-two neutral and belligerent ships with an aggregate tonnage of approximately 125,255 tons have fallen victims to Germany's ruthless submarine warfare.

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THE LOCK 17 PROPOSITION:
It Is Not Practicable or Constructive.

(Birmingham News.)
It seems to be a difficult thing to keep Birmingham united on any one great scheme long enough to accomplish anything. Divided interests create divided councils, and the resultant discord is a source of weakness.

Take the matter of getting the great government nitrate plant for the Muscle Shoals on the Tennessee. Not only all Alabama has been united on that project, but the whole South outside of Georgia, recently got together in the commercial conference at Norfolk and the most enthusiastic resolutions were passed, and committees to go to Washington were authorized.

Now comes the new Birmingham Civic Organization with a plan to divide Alabama and especially Birmingham on this subject. In the meeting of that organization on Monday evening, Mr. Thomas L. Cannon in his first address is quoted as having this to say:

If this organization was in fighting trim tomorrow's sun would not rise before a committee was named to go to Washington and see the president and show him how and why the nitrate plant should be located here in this district, on the Warrior river, at Lock 17; show him that the plant can be constructed here inside of three months, for we already have the necessary dam, and show him that it would take at least five years to construct such a plant anywhere else in the United States.

In printing this The Ledger made this report of its effect:

The above remarks by Thomas L. Cannon, newly elected general secretary of the Birmingham Civic Association, made in his initial address before the association at its meeting Monday electrified his hearers, and the idea met with general approval.

President James Weatherly and Secretary Cannon are expected to discuss the matter in detail Tuesday or Wednesday and it is expected an announcement will be made shortly that such a committee has been appointed and has begun work.

It is to be regretted that Mr. Cannon has not informed himself thoroughly as to all the facts connected with this matter, so that he would not have made such an imprudent utterance.

In the first place, Birmingham is thoroughly committed to the Muscle Shoals proposition, her business men having investigated the situation in this state so completely, as to decide to contribute three thousand dollars to the promotion of the Tennessee river proposition, as they did at a public dinner about two months ago under the leadership of Dr. J. H. Tinder.

In the second place, there is not a great engineer in Alabama who would declare that there is enough hydro-electric power available at Lock 17 on the Warrior to supply one-twentieth of the needs of a government plant. It is not a question of a dam, but of the volume of water in the river back of the dam, and the steadiness of its flow twelve months in the year. The Warrior is relatively a small stream, and during several months of every year there is not the volume of water in it to let much run over the dam. Certainly there would not be enough to run any considerable electric plant and yet keep the flow in the stream below that the United States engineers require in all navigable rivers.

The Muscle Shoals situation is the only one in the safety zone in all the United States that will yield enough power for the government's undertaking. The Tennessee is a great river a mile wide before it enters upon the rapids, and it is deep, carrying at all seasons an hundred times the volume of water the Warrior does.

Ten days ago the members of the committee of the Muscle Shoals Association, who went to Washington to present the magnificent memorial on

the subject to President Wilson and his cabinet committee on the nitrate plant, were told some significant things by Secretary Baker. He stated that the government had obtained the reports of the greatest chemists in the United States upon the processes of making nitrates; that those chemists reported two processes as dominant, the Haber, now used by Germany in making high explosives, and the cyanamid now used in this and other countries for making fertilizers. Both processes are for the fixation of air nitrogen, and both, said the secretary, "involve the use of enormous amounts of cheap electric power." This was construed by the Muscle Shoals committee most favorably to the Alabama proposition, because it is generally admitted that nowhere else in the country can 600,000 horsepower of electric energy be developed so cheaply as at Muscle Shoals.

It is quite clear in the light of these facts that there is nothing practicable in the Lock 17 suggestion, and if any portion of Birmingham business men were to take Mr. Cannon's plan in hand, they would make no headway with the great engineers of this country and the experts at Washington, while the president and his secretaries, having this matter in hand for decision, would only smile at the lack of harmony in Birmingham and its sudden reversal of form.

The new civic organization, it seems to The News, can find an abundant opportunity to take up new things, instead of stepping forward with any plan to tear down what has been done. There is no constructive in putting forward Lock 17 in place of Muscle Shoals. There is no spirit of co-operation in it. There is no wisdom of any sort in it. It is to be hoped that President Weatherly of the civic organization will see Mr. Cannon's mistake, and will not start an inopportune, inexpedient agitation.

WAR SEEMS INEVITABLE.

More than a week has passed since Germany resumed its ruthless submarine campaign. During that period no "overt act," as defined by President Wilson, has been committed by the crafty U-boat commanders. Yet the danger grows apace, and it is only a matter of days—perhaps hours—until some American vessel is sent to the bottom, or some American passenger aboard a neutral vessel is hurried into eternity. Then will come the declaration of hostilities that the United States for two years and a half has tried to stave off by uncompromising neutrality.

There is but little reason to hope that peace will be preserved. The issue is clear. Mr. Wilson has squared his jaw and delivered his ultimatum. He will not back down. Neither will the Kaiser, exponent of that peculiar "kulture" that would strangle a world had it but a single neck in order that the Fatherland might triumph in its unholy scheme of aggrandizement. So far the imperial German government has staved off the crisis by the skill with which its U-boats have picked their victims. This cannot go on for long. Sooner or later the break will come—either through design or accident.

Yet the majority of Americans do not expect war. Lulled by the fancied security that has come from prolonged avoidance, they continue to hope that some kind Providence will again intercede. There is a possibility that it may, although the day of miracles has passed. The present crisis has reached a stage where the modern Nero-Wilhelm of Germany—must bow the imperial neck in surrender, or Woodrow Wilson, staunch defender of American rights, must submit to further indignities from a nation that has arrogated to itself the right to prescribe the rules governing the movement of boats upon the seven seas.

Success of the submarine campaign which Germany is now waging will hardly warrant any recession. Sixty vessels have been sent to the bottom without the loss of a man. The Teuton dream of a starving England is nearer realization than it ever was before. The Teuton hatred of the British empire is fattened upon fresh blood. The reckless desperation that drove Germany to a violation of international rights is still the dominant incentive to a continuance of the present submarine war of "frightfulness."

The California has gone down. A liner has been sunk for the first time since the Arabia was scuttled. Bolder and bolder grows German aggression. All that is left for the United States to do is to hasten its preparations for armed conflict. How can it be long delayed?

DEATH'S SHINING MARKS.

The Daily with sincere regret has chronicled during the past week the death of two prominent citizens—George Allen of Albany, and Major W. R. Francis, of Decatur.

Mr. Allen was for 36 years an engineer on the Louisville & Nashville railroad. Major Francis was for many years engaged in the practice of law and was prominent in politics, being a Wilson and Marshall elector at the last national election. No kindlier, truer men ever lived than the two.

THE "IMMORTAL FIVE."

Five members of the United States senate count 'em—voted yesterday against the resolution endorsing the stand which President Wilson has taken in the present international crisis. Three of these—God forbid there should have been more—were from the South.

In the hour of national peril, in the day when war looms large, in the moment of foreign menace, it is inconceivable that any member of the great American forum would have given comfort to our enemies by failing to register a vote of confidence in the executive. It is hard to believe that two of these men should have been democrats.

It is to the credit of the republican party that its senators rallied solidly behind the president. It is well for the future of the nation that party lines were ignored—as they always are and always should be—by the real statesmen who have been sent to Washington. That "pacifists" should, abhor war and should endeavor to prevent war is to their credit. That pacifists should not be genuine Americans when the die is cast is hard to understand.

With Taft and Ford and Hughes coming to the fore in their championship of America, it is regrettable that a small coterie of leaders should commit the colossal blunder of putting peace before patriotism. There was no excuse for the adverse votes.

The Birmingham News very properly rebuked the Birmingham citizen who proposed the nitrate plant for the Warrior river instead of the Tennessee. Birmingham cannot afford to break faith in that way.

An eastern member of congress got up last week and assailed the \$20,000,000 nitrate and munition plant appropriation as a waste. But that was before the crisis with Germany arose.

"SERGEANT, TAKE HIS NAME."

(By Sergt. John R. Harkreader.)

"Respectfully dedicated to my comrades-at-arms, Troop I, Eighth U. S. Cavalry, as a reminder of the many days—happy and otherwise—spent on the Mexican border."

You turn your locker inside out, and tidy up your bunk. Shine your spurs, clean up your bits and tons of other junk. You think you're a soldier and winning at the game. "Till your captain gently bellows—'Hurry, Sergeant, take his name.'"

The saddle that on Friday had looked so clean and bright. Must be a hard old rounder, and sleep out side at night. It's crummy and its gummy and you know that you're to blame. When the T. C. squints his eye at you. With, "Sergeant, take his name."

Your rifle is all broken out with some malignant plague. The breeches that you pressed so well, have lamp-black on the leg. Of murder you are guilty and your excuses all sound tame. When the captain cocks his eye on you with "Sergeant, take his name."

When I get back to LaGuarda, and Saturday rolls 'round. I'm going to get dead drunk and rave all over town. And the first guy that butts into me, most surely will go lame. If he tries to spring—that time-worn gag of— "Sergeant, take his name."

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A THOUGHT FOR THE SABBATH AND EVERY OTHER DAY

BY OBSERVER.

A year or so ago there walked in front of his wild west show tents, as they stood near the L. & N. siding of Albany, William F. Cody, the greatest adventurer of modern times. As he passed along, making casual inquiries of his men, it was noticed that age had stripped the old scout of his great personality. His body was only the suggestion of that manly form that had dazzled a continent, when with his shows, a score of years ago, he had toured the capitals of Europe. Our hero's hands hung limp at his sides, the same ones that had felt the pressure of the hand of Queen Victoria—and again the same ones whose mighty pressure had crushed out the life of an Indian chieftain who had engaged him as a young man in mortal combat. Idle bystanders said that in the afternoon performance "Bill" did not shoot as straight as he used to. He was then on his last business trip and a few days ago we read of his death. But why will the school children of America erect a monument to him? And why will Buffalo Bill sleep on one of the highest ridges of the great Rockies? Simply this—He was an adventurer. Now, adventure is faith in action. If, as St. Paul says, "Without faith it is impossible to please God," then it is equally true that He is displeased with one who has not the spirit of heroic adventure. Esau, though he was a hunter, was not an adventurer. And at any one should ask you, that is the reason God could not use him. Jacob, though he was a quiet man and a rascal with it, was of an adven-

turous spirit, and God did use Jacob after he had quit his meanness. Father Abraham had the right idea. For we are told that he "went out seeking a country he knew not of." Adventurers do not follow some known law or some trade route. What law is there to teach one to swim? But every boy of adventurous spirit learns to swim if he has the opportunity. One never learns to write well by merely copying the hand writing of someone else. A person who lives by known rule may get himself into even prominent positions; he may arrive even inside heaven's gate, but he has not necessarily arrived, for true arriving is ever going forward in some holy adventure. Philip Brooks, the great Episcopal Bishop, said men died the deaths they did because they lived as they did. The martyrs did not die so much for certain dogmas of belief—it was because they were great adventurers. They thought they were helping to bring the Kingdom of God. They started things they could not stop. A man who is afraid for "where his actions will end" is not an adventurer in the spiritual sense. The whole great truth is wrapped up in the old saying, "Poets are born, not made," which means as God makes a poet before he is born, so He must keep on making him if he is ever a poet. A true adventurer is God-led, just as Abraham was. Also up with his Maker and become God's real adventurer is sure to meet friend. Then he is ready for the greatest of all adventures—life beyond this vale of tears.

Just In Passing

OLD MINSTREL MAN.

"You remember George Wilson Minstrel Show," writes J. A. Buttrey, Second avenue merchant, from New York, where he is on a business trip. "I saw George in the Grand hotel tonight. He is playing at the Hippodrome. I thought he was dead years ago."

Wilson is remembered by Mr. Buttrey as a headliner in the latter seventies and early eighties. He headed a minstrel troupe for many years, the headliners being Wilson, Primrose and West, the greatest minstrel men of their time.

NOVEL COSTUME PROGRAM.

"I hope a large crowd will hear the program to be rendered by the Gladys Beulah Powers Company at the Albany school auditorium Saturday night," said Mrs. H. B. Beard. "The players come here with the highest recommendations and the best press notices from cities where they have played before. The entertainment is given for the benefit of the School Improvement Association."

WHISTLES TELL NEWS.

"I was very much interested in reading an account of the way the newspapers in some of the South American countries inform their readers of big news events," said George D. Williamson, Decatur merchant. "The story I saw said that when newspapers obtained a big story, in lieu of the extras we Americans have been taught to expect, the papers there blow a whistle. The siren is loud enough to draw crowds from over the cities and after the crowd has assembled, it is told what has happened. For instance, if peace should be declared today, the Daily, were it printed over there, would be expected to whistle for us and after we had gathered, whisper the good news."

WOOLEN SUPPLY SHORT.

"The supply of woollens this year is shorter than I have ever seen it," said Herbert Odum, well-known traveling salesman. "I would not be surprised in the least to find the various tailoring houses are calling in many samples within the next few weeks. Some of the biggest sellers have been called in now. I would advise every man who intends having his spring suit tailor-made to have his measure taken now. Of course all men are used to being asked to 'have their measure taken early,' but this year the situation really looks like it is going to be serious. There is a decided scarcity in many materials entering into the construction of clothing."

CANNOT BUY NEEDLES.

"This buying of Victrola needles is getting to be much more than a joke," said D. D. McGehee, Decatur furniture dealer and local agent for the well known brand of talking machines. "We are selling only one package of needles to a customer now and we have to hustle to supply the demand at that. The company declares the supply is so short it is almost impossible to keep the dealers in stock. Dealers in many other cities are taking the same course we are—selling only one package at a time. It seems to be the only way we can serve all."

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\$10 REWARD—We will pay above reward to anyone giving information that will lead to the arrest and conviction of the sneak thieves who took from our store several dozen typewriter ribbons and other things Sunday night. Many of the ribbons were for Underwood machines, black and red color and were made by the Remington Typewriter Co. As we are the only firm in the city handling this kind of ribbon, we wish to warn the public against buying them. C. J. Hildreth Co. 6-3t

WANTED—Every member of the Central Methodist church to attend Sunday school Sunday. We urge you to come and to bring others with you. We also extend a cordial invitation to all who are not attending Sunday school elsewhere. J. F. Lovin, superintendent; W. H. Day, assistant superintendent. 8-3t

LOST DOG—Return "Villa" to Barrett Shelton 604 Sixth avenue, Borton flats. Animal about seven months old, white in color, with large brown spots, long tail. 5-1f

FOR RENT—One year, or term of years, 100-acre farm, fine land, all tillable; Athens-Decatur pike; three miles from Decatur. Dr. F. L. Chenault. 2-1f

LOST—Cuff button, dark red square stone, with gold rim, supposed to have been lost on steps of Morgan County National Bank. Will pay \$1 for return to H. E. Walker, 619 Fourth avenue, west. 5-6t

FOR SALE—Cash register. Apply to Misses Haddon, 206 Grant St. 5-3t

SMALL FARM WANTED—Must be worth the money. Prefer it on or close to pike. Will consider 40 to 80 acres. Telephone 438. T. M. Dix, Postoffice building, Bank St. 2-6t

WANTED—An experienced saleslady, one experienced in ladies' ready-to-wear. Apply at once, Olshine Department Store, Bank street, Decatur. 1-1f

FARM AND CITY LOANS AT 7%—I have a client that will make loans at 7% on improved farms and city property for term of 5 to 10 years, to suit the borrower. Loans closed as soon as abstract can be furnished. Write W. J. Nesbit, Decatur, Telephone 274. 12-1mo

MONEY TO LOAN—Build a home on easy monthly payments at small interest. Also loans on improved farms at easy rate and annual payments. W. M. Chenault, Phone Albany 487. J 30-1m

FLAT FOR RENT—Seven-room, newly overhauled, modern conveniences. \$8 per month. Call W. B. Edmundson. Phone Albany 124. 18-1f

BARGAINS—I have two 5-acre tracts with new cottages, and also two 5-acre tracts with no improvements. In West Town. Installments. E. H. Allison. 20-1f

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WOOD FOR SALE—Heater or stove wood. Call Wilder Place, 124, New Decatur. M 3-172

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YOUR RENEWALS

If you take either of the three Curtis publications—the Saturday Evening Post, Ladies' Home Journal or Country Gentleman, and your subscription is expired or about to expire, it would be appreciated if you will telephone me at Albany 46 or 274-W.

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Horizontal bars are composed of two No. 20 coiled galvanized steel wires, with stays or uprights of No. 19 only 3 inches apart in one specification; in another the whole fabric is of No. 17 galvanized steel wires with stays 4 inches apart.

Close spacing is the first requirement of a good poultry fence.

Union Lock has it.

We have Union Lock Poultry Fence in stock, and we can save money for the buyer.

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Business or professional cards,
printed or engraved. The Daily.

**Crowds To See Drills
Of Visiting Shriners**

Arrayed in holiday dress, Albany and Decatur today were awaiting the coming of 300 Shriners from Birmingham Friday, with much interest. The Shriners will arrive on a special train shortly after 3 o'clock, detraining at Decatur. A drill will be given on Bank street and the visitors then will march to Albany, where another will be given on Second avenue. Large crowds are expected to witness them.

Calling Cards—The last word in correct stationery can be obtained from the Daily. Look our line over.

CALL AT
J. D. THOMAS'
store and get your
Coffee Fresh Roasted
OR PHONE 181

**FUNERAL WILL BE
HELD TONIGHT FOR
MAJ. W. R. FRANCIS**

BODY WILL BE SHIPPED TO WINCHESTER, TENN., FOR INTERMENT TOMORROW.

Funeral services will be held tonight at 7:30 o'clock at the First Presbyterian church, Decatur, for Major W. R. Francis, who died late Wednesday in an infirmary in Birmingham, where he went for treatment. The services will be conducted by Rev. W. N. Sholl, the pastor.

The body will be taken to Winchester, Tenn., on the night train for interment there tomorrow. Winchester is the old home of the deceased. The following will act as pallbearers: J. P. Thomas, C. H. Austin, W. B. Morrow, A. A. Jones, W. T. Lowe and D. C. Almon.

The members of the bar of Albany and Decatur, at a called meeting yesterday afternoon, passed memorial resolutions on the death of Major Francis. A beautiful floral offering from the local attorneys was one of the many sent by grief-stricken friends today.

Major Francis was a member of the Forty-First Tennessee infantry during the civil war and took an active part in the Morgan county camp of veterans. Many veterans will attend the services tonight, paying the final honor to their dead comrade.

H. A. Loree and A. S. Keith, of Winchester, nephews of the deceased, are here to attend the funeral.

PERSONALS

Dr. T. G. Hughes, who has been very ill, is improving.

Dr. Richard Smith, of Columbia, Tenn., a prominent druggist of that city, was here today en route to Birmingham. Dr. Smith is a Shriner and will return here tomorrow for the ceremonial session.

SOCIETY

Margaret Clinton Shelton :: Phone 386w

MUSIC STUDY CLUB.

Mrs. E. W. Godbey, president.
Mrs. L. A. Neill, secretary.
Mrs. Seneca Burr, chairman.
Miss Clarkson, hostess.

The club assembled with Miss Clarkson Wednesday afternoon. In the absence of the president, Mrs. E. W. Godbey, the first vice filled the chair. Business disposed of, the meeting was turned over to Mrs. Burr. Those taking part were: Mrs. E. E. Graves and Miss Clarkson in duet; Mrs. R. M. McGlathery, Mrs. A. T. Hanson, Mrs. F. G. Cook in vocal solos; Miss Sconyers, in a most pleasing and entertaining reading, and Mrs. Harris in instrumental solo. The Huguenots, an overture by Meyerbeer, played by Mrs. E. E. Graves and Miss Margaret Clarkson, whose interpretation gave an idea of this opera, bringing out the Lutheran chorals that offer recur in its music. Meyerbeer is at his best in choral work, his effects are wonderful. Mesdames R. M. McGlathery, A. T. Hanson and F. G. Cook delighted their hearers with their beautiful talent. Mrs. A. J. Harris gave a Chopin Scherzas, as one member remarked "It was a treasure," for she brought out his beautiful sentiment and the remarkable contrasts of this number.

COTACCO LITERARY CLUB.

Mrs. Eugene Guy, president.
Mrs. Hal Mullen, secretary.
Mrs. J. D. Bush, hostess.
Mrs. W. H. Winton, chairman.

On Wednesday afternoon the Cotacco Literary club met with Mrs. J. D. Bush to enjoy a program of excellence. The subject for study was "Absolutism in France." Mrs. W. H. Winton was the leader, assisted by Mrs. Elbert Weaver. During the social hour that followed a delicious salad course was served.

MARRIED LADIES' BRIDGE.

Mrs. H. A. Skeggs was hostess to the Married Ladies' Bridge club on Wednesday afternoon. In the game, Mrs. Jno. Knight made top score, and Mrs. W. E. Crawford won the guest prize. A salad course was served. Among the guests were Mrs. Jno. Conner and Mrs. W. E. Crawford.

The Dora Rankin class of the Central Methodist church will meet at 7:30 o'clock this evening with Miss Bertha Gayle at her home on Third avenue, west.

The Misses Hine are in town from Athens.

Miss Lucile Draper, of Decatur was the week-end guest of Miss Carrye Hill. —Hartselle Enterprise.

**No Plan To Muster Out
Militia Made --- Baker**

Washington, Feb. 8.—Secretary Baker declared positively today that the war department, insofar as Washington is concerned, has made no plans to halt the muster out of national guardsmen, but stated that the whole affair was in the hands of General Funston.

**Corns Peel Right
Off With "Gets-It"**

2 Drops, and the Corn is a "Goner!"

When you've got to walk on the sides of your shoes to get away from those awful corn-pains, there's only one common-sense thing to do.



Use "Gets-It" Your Corns Won't Swell in Water. Besides, They'll Shrink, Loosen and Peel Off!

Put 2 or 3 drops of "Gets-It" on the corn right away. Pain and inflammation will disappear, the corn will begin to shrink from that instant!—then it loosens and falls right off. There's no other corn-remover in the world that acts like "Gets-It." No new discovery has been made in corn-removers since "Gets-It" was born. Don't forget that fact. "Gets-It" does away forever with the use of salves that irritate, bandages that make a bundle of your toes, plasters that half do the work, knives and scissors that draw blood. Use "Gets-It"—no more digging or cutting.

"Gets-It" is sold everywhere. See a bottle, or get on receipt of price by E. Lawrence & Co., Chicago, Ill.

Sold in New Decatur and recommended as the world's best corn remedy by Freut-Dillehay Drug Co. and Thomp-

CLUB CALENDAR.

Friday.
Shriners' dance, beginning at 10 o'clock—Colonial Club.

Saturday.
Silk Stocking Club.—
Gladys Powers' Company Entertainers—Albany High School Auditorium.

WILBURN-VINES.

At high noon today Miss Mattie Maye Vines and Rev. G. W. Wilburn, of Birmingham, were united in marriage at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Payne, Rev. Jesse Cook, of Decatur, performing the ceremony. Surrounded by relatives of the bride, the board of trustees of the Benevolent hospital and physicians and nurses, with darkened reception rooms, decorated with Jackson vines and white carnations and white candles shedding a soft glow, a most beautiful and impressive ceremony was said. The bride was attired in a traveling costume of baby blue with a corsage of lilies of the valley and presented a picture of radiant young womanhood.

The bride has been, since the opening of the Benevolent hospital, its chief nurse, and has been of invaluable aid in making a success of the institution. She has endeared herself to many of those who have been patients at the institution by her faithful and tender attentions, all of whom wish her in this the most beautiful event of her life, God speed.

The groom was formerly pastor of the South Side Baptist church, and is held in high esteem by a large circle in these cities.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn left on the noon train for Birmingham, where they will reside.

**Body Guard Is Placed
About Thos. A. Edison**

(International News Service.)
Orange, N. J., Feb. 8.—A bodyguard was placed about Thomas A. Edison today by the United States government. The action was taken because of Edison's well-known inventive ability and because of his avowed purpose to keep his brain constantly working to perfect new devices of warfare for Uncle Sam.

**Cartridge Mixed In
Tobacco; Pipe Blows Up**

C. N. Pruett, a prominent farmer of this county, is nursing a pair of painfully injured eyes as a result of an explosion of a cartridge in his pipe in the Thomas grocery store on Second avenue.

Mr. Pruett, while conversing with friends, idly reached in his pocket, pulled a handful of tobacco from it and placing it in his pipe, struck a match.

For a few minutes he smoked in peaceful contentment and then the thing blew up. The pipe was knocked from his mouth. When he had sufficiently recovered from the pain in his eyes, caused by flying tobacco, an investigation disclosed that a 22-calibre cartridge had hidden itself amongst his smokables.

**Daughter Of Deputy
Sheriff Is Married**

Miss Treasie Beasely, attractive and popular daughter of Deputy Sheriff Beasely and Hamet Evans were married by Probate Judge Troup yesterday. The young couple will reside at Falkville.

A marriage license was issued this morning to Rev. George Wilburn and Miss Mattie Maye Vines.

**Calomel Claims
Many Victims**

SPELL IT BACKWARD AND TRY LEMOLAC.

You will be agreeably surprised and will never run the risk of taking dangerous, unpleasant calomel again. Lemolac acts on the liver like calomel except that its action is more gentle. Lemolac removes the bile, cleanses the stomach and intestines; but it does not gripe, sicken and weaken and cause you to lose time from your work. You will find Lemolac very pleasant to take and as it is purely vegetable it cannot salivate or soften your bones. Calomel is a mineral made from mercury, therefore an unnatural remedy and should be avoided, however, it is a good name to remember. Lemolac by as Lemolac is calomel-spelled backwards. Try a 50c bottle at our risk. Sold by Thompson Drug Store.

**New Swans Down
Will Be Your Favorite Flour**

ONE lot of delicious, flaky biscuits, waffles or hot bread and you will recognize the superiority and delicacy of this new Swans Down.

Children Thrive on Good Bread

Flour is the best energy builder among foods, with greater value in nourishment than meat. Bread with milk is the ideal food for a growing child. Swans Down is the essence of nutritious wheat, milled, tested and graded by a standard of goodness never excelled.

Also, if you don't know the successful, quick results of Igleheart's "Self-Rising" Flour, made from Swans Down, you have a treat in store for you.

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is rather trying time to one's
appearance**

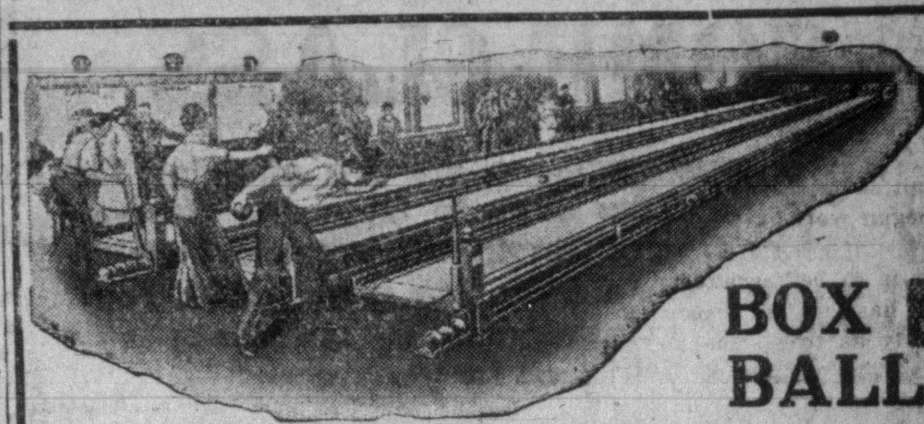
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Contests Tuesday Night in Albany and Friday in Decatur
CONTESTS FREE

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You Need a Tonic

There are times in every woman's life when she needs a tonic to help her over the hard places. When that time comes to you, you know what tonic to take—Cardui, the woman's tonic. Cardui is composed of purely vegetable ingredients, which act gently, yet surely, on the weakened womanly organs, and helps build them back to strength and health. It has benefited thousands and thousands of weak, ailing women in its past half century of wonderful success, and it will do the same for you.

You can't make a mistake in taking

**GARDUI
The Woman's Tonic**

Miss Amelia Wilson, R. F. D. No. 4, Alma, Ark., says: "I think Cardui is the greatest medicine on earth, for women. Before I began to take Cardui, I was so weak and nervous, and had such awful dizzy spells and a poor appetite. Now I feel as well and as strong as I ever did, and can eat most anything." Begin taking Cardui today. Sold by all dealers.

Has Helped Thousands.

No. 37 NEW FAST TRAIN No. 37**"Birmingham-New Orleans
Limited"**

Scheduled to connect with No. 5 leaving Decatur at 4:20 pm., daily.

Leave Birmingham Daily	7:40 pm
Arrive Mobile	3:15 am
Arrive Pensacola	6:15 am
Arrive New Orleans	7:30 am

NOTE—Local sleepers Birmingham to Mobile and Pensacola; can be occupied until 7:00 am.

Only Sleeping Car Passengers carried on this train south of Montgomery.

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Additional fast steel vestibuled trains leaves Birmingham for New Orleans daily at 9:00 am. and 3:55 pm.

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**Gladys Beulah
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has appeared, and that has been all over the United States, it has received the warmest endorsement of the press.

Saturday Evening, January 10th

this company will give a

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**Albany High School
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For the Benefit of the School Improvement

Music, Dramatic and Delightful

BUY A TICKET AND HELP
OUR BOYS AND GIRLS

Florida Citrus Fruit Hard Hit By Freeze

Tampa, Fla., Feb. 8.—Members of the Florida Citrus exchange, at a meeting here yesterday, estimated the damage to fruit on the trees, caused by the recent cold snap, would reach \$1,500,000. Exchange packing houses were ordered closed until the exact condition of the fruit could be ascertained, so that no frost-damaged fruit would be shipped under the exchange label.

Berlin Hears Report Of Property Seizure

Berlin, Feb. 8.—A sensational report has been circulated here that German property in the United States has been seized and the movements of German citizens in the United States restricted.

French Airmen Attack The German War Plants

(International News Service.)
Paris, Feb. 8.—German military establishments at Lahr in the grand duchy of Baden were bombarded by French airmen on Tuesday night, the war office announced. The same night the German aerodrome at Mariakerke was attacked by a French air squadron.

GEORGE ALLEN.

Whereas, it is with profound sorrow that we bow before the all-wise Worshipful Master of the universe, who called from his earthly labors our respected and beloved brother, George C. Allen, who laid down the working tools of a noble life on February 2, 1917.

Therefore, be it resolved, That Lodge No. 491, A. F. and A. M., has lost a valued member whose presence among us has always been that of helpfulness and cheer, a genial disposition, always ready to do his part.

Be it further resolved, That in his departure, he is at rest in the safe citadel of the Great Architect. We feel that we, his brethren, have lost a faithful brother, and that the community a most worthy citizen, the railroad company a most trusted employee, his dear wife and companion a true and most affectionate husband.

Be it further resolved, That to his widow we extend our tenderest feeling of sympathy, yet we know how weak and fruitless must be our attempt to lessen her grief, in this, her overwhelming loss. Yet we cannot refrain from tendering to her the consolation of our hearts and earnestly commend her to Him who alone can assuage the great anguish of her sad bereavement, and in place leave her the cherished memory of the one so loved and dear to her.

"The throttle is closed, for the run is complete.
He has heard the words, 'Well done, come and rest.'
In the terminal above he is safe in God's love.

Eternity's station for the blest."
Be it further resolved that a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the records of Lodge No. 491, and that a copy under seal of the lodge be sent to his widow. Also that a copy be published in the Albany-Decatur Daily.

Respectfully submitted,
HENRY HARTUNG,
C. L. PECK,
W. E. STEED,
Committee.

41 PERSONS MAY BE KILLED WHEN

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war has aroused increased activity at the admiralty. Steps have been taken to organize safety lanes through the barred waters for both British and neutral shipping, while the patrol boats have been strengthened and new mines are being put into position.

On the seventh day of Germany's ruthless submarine warfare reports of the destruction of 14 ships were received, aggregating 14,000 tons. This brought the total of destroyed vessels since the new submarine war opened up to 59 ships with an aggregate tonnage of 117,848.

The British steamship Crown Point reported sunk yesterday is now said to have carried an American in her crew, Thomas Iverson of Philadelphia.

ALL DUTCH PORTS CLOSED. (International News Service.)

Berlin, Feb. 8.—All Dutch ports have been closed by the Dutch minister of marine, says a dispatch to the Overseas News Agency from The Hague.

Senate Endorses The President's Course

ONLY FIVE MEMBERS VOTED
WRONG. THREE FROM THE
SOLID SOUTH.

Washington, Feb. 8.—President Wilson's severance of diplomatic relations with Germany was approved late Wednesday by the senate.

By a vote of 78 to 5 the senate expressed confidence in the president's course, adopting a resolution submitted by Chairman Stone, of the foreign relations committee, endorsing the withdrawal of American Ambassador Gerard from Berlin and the giving to German Ambassador Bernstorff his passports.

Senators who voted against the resolution were:
Democrats—Kirby, Arkansas, and Vardaman, Mississippi.
Republicans—Gronna, North Dakota; Work, California, and La Follette, Wisconsin.

Five hours' debate preceded the vote, but the only active opposition came from the five senators who stood out against the resolution when the roll was called. The ranking republican leaders joined the democrats in declaring their whole-hearted support of the president.

Live Stock Men Vote For Mobile

Mrs. Florence Forbes Elected as Head
Head of Poultry Department.

Huntsville, Feb. 8.—The Alabama Livestock association came to a close here last night with the final decision in favor of Mobile as the meeting place of the year 1918.

The officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: Dr. C. A. Cary, of Auburn, president; George S. Temple, of Auburn, secretary; J. S. Kernachan, of Sheffield, treasurer.

The heads of the various departments of the association were elected as follows: W. G. Henderson, of Montgomery, beef cattle; W. Hardie, of Selma, dairy cattle; G. C. Clay, of Demopolis, horses and mules; J. F. Junaway, of Orville, swine; A. D. Summers, of Montgomery, sheep; Mrs. Florence Forbes, of Albany, poultry.

Mobile received only one majority for the next meeting, Selma contending for the convention.

GERMANS AVOW LOYALTY TO U. S.

3,000,000 MEMBERS WILL BACK UP
PRESIDENT WILSON, NATIONAL
COMMITTEE DECLARES.

(International News Service.)
Philadelphia, Feb. 8.—Loyalty to the United States in the event of war with Germany was pledged by the national committee of the German-American alliance, representing 3,000,000 members at a secret meeting here last night.

First American Liners Are Armed At N. Y.

New York, Feb. 8.—Preliminary steps for the arming of American liners St. Louis, St. Paul and Lapland were taken today. Officials said this was in line with advice they had received from the state department.

CAPITAL STOCKS RAISED GREATLY

NORTH ALABAMA BUILDING AND
LOAN ASSOCIATION HOLDS
ANNUAL MEETING.

The capital stock of the North Alabama Building and Loan Association will be raised from \$200,000 to \$500,000. This announcement was made by President Clyde Hendrix today, following a meeting of the stockholders yesterday.

During the past year the association enjoyed wonderful growth, the report of officers showed. The assets were increased approximately 33 1/2 percent and the organization otherwise strengthened.

The officers were re-elected. They are as follows: Clyde Hendrix, president; D. F. Green, vice-president; Eugene Sivley, vice-president; Foster H. Pointer, vice-president; E. C. Steel, secretary and treasurer.

Bud Kelley Turned Over To Grand Jury

Bud Kelly, negro, charged with attempting to rob the Lyle-Taylor Grain Company, two weeks ago, was arraigned before Judge Frank J. Davis, of the Decatur Inferior Court, yesterday afternoon for a preliminary hearing, was turned over to the grand jury. He was arrested after being trailed by bloodhounds to a house on "Crawford's Row," a negro settlement.

J. H. VOGAN.

Albany, Ala., February 6, 1917. Resolutions of condolence, tendered by the New Decatur Lodge No. 491, F. & A. M.

To the Family of Brother J. H. Vogan: Whereas in the inscrutable providence of God, Our Father, the giver of all things, has taken to himself the father and husband from the devoted hearts of wife, children and friends.

Whereas, by his smooth temper, kind words and good deeds, Brother Vogan has crept into the hearts of all he came in contact with, and his life is therefore more keenly felt by the community at large.

And whereas, the feeling of the universal sorrow was made and manifested by the large attendance and floral tributes offered at the funeral service at the residence and at the grave.

But we feel that our loss is heaven's gain, for we are sure that when the thread of life was clipped he was borne by the angels to heaven and God.

Now, Therefore, be it Resolved by New Decatur Lodge No. 491 F. & A. M., individually and collectively, we do hereby tender to the bereaved family and immediate friends, our most sincere and heart-felt sympathies in their sad hours of mourning and sorrow.

Be it further resolved that we humbly pray to Him who tempers the wind and the waves. He may enter the hearts of the bereaved ones and bring to them consolation in their sad hour of sorrow and affliction.

Be it further resolved that a copy of the foregoing resolutions be sent to the bereaved family, a copy spread on the minutes of the lodge and also a copy be published in local paper.

C. L. PECK,
C. McMILLAN,
Committee.

What Is Uric Acid?

THE CAUSE OF BACKACHE,
RHEUMATISM, GRAVEL
AND SUDDEN DEATH.

Ever since the discovery of uric acid in the blood by Scheele, in 1775, and the bad effect it had upon the body, scientists and physicians have striven to rid the tissues and the blood of this poison. Because of its overabundance in the system it causes backache, pains here and there, rheumatism, gout, gravel, neuralgia and sciatica. It was Dr. Pierce who discovered a new agent, called "Anuric," which will throw out and completely eradicate this uric acid from the system. "Anuric" has proved to be 37 times more potent than lithia, and consequently you need no longer fear muscular or articular rheumatism or gout, or many other diseases which are dependent on an accumulation of uric acid within the body. Send to Dr. Pierce, of the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, Buffalo, N. Y., for a pamphlet on "Anuric," or send 10 cents for a trial package of "Anuric Tablets."

If you feel that tired, worn-out feeling, backache, neuralgia, or if your sleep is disturbed by too frequent urination, go to your best drug store and ask for Doctor Pierce's Anuric Tablets.

Doctor Pierce's reputation is back of this medicine and you know that his "Golden Medical Discovery" for the blood and his "Favorite Prescription" for the ills of women have had a splendid reputation for the past fifty years.

Doctor Pierce's Pellets are unequalled as a Liver Pill. One tiny Sugar-coated Pellet a Dose. Cure Sick Headache, Bilious Headache, Dizziness, Constipation, Indigestion, Bilious Attacks, and all derangements of the Liver, Stomach and Bowels.

OIL DEVELOPMENT IN THIS SECTION

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In the development of the rich oil territory of North Alabama, C. L. Price, who, as the controlling spirit of the North Alabama Standard Oil & Gas Company, has mineral, oil and gas leases covering 8,400 acres of land situated in the vicinity of Priceville and extending both toward the Twin Cities and Hartselle, will join in the concerted effort to make this the great oil producing center of the nation, while it is expected that the estate of Gen. Wade Hampton, involving control of some 10,000 acres of land near Leighton, will also contribute to the conducting of experiments on a large scale.

Are Leasing Rights.

Already, according to reports received by the Daily, efforts are being made to obtain mineral and oil rights in this county. Prospectors and adventurers, it is said, are largely responsible for this. They have been attracted here by reports published abroad as to the possibilities of finding oil in paying quantities in this section. Articles recently appearing in the Daily have been read with great interest throughout the state, and as a result many oil men are now in communication with Mrs. Nelson, who was the first to announce that she would risk her own money in a test well.

"It is my intention to begin drilling within the next six weeks," said Mrs. Nelson today. "I would have begun earlier, but did not think it advisable to begin operations until the weather is more stable. I expect to employ an experienced driller, one in whom I can have confidence, and to keep personal watch over the work. It is a peculiar coincidence that all wells that have been sunk in this county have been abandoned through some in have been abandoned through some injury to the machinery just at the time that oil and gas had been found."

George Johnson Pleads Guilty To Pants Theft

George Johnson, negro, pleaded guilty yesterday afternoon before Judge Frank J. Davis, of the Decatur Inferior court, to a charge of theft. He was charged with stealing pants from

the store of J. Block on Bank street. He had been previously fined, in the Decatur police court on a similar charge. Sentence will be given later.

It is declared pants have been taken from the Block store in quantities amounting almost to wholesale. Nine pairs were recovered by Mr. Block from second-hand stores, where they had been sold.

ANNUAL MARDI GRAS SPECIAL

VIA

Louisville & Nashville

Will leave Birmingham on Saturday, Feb. 17, at 8 p.m.

Connection made by train No. 5, leaving Decatur 4:20 p. m., and Albany 4:23 p. m.

Round Trip Fare from Albany or Decatur

New Orleans \$15.30 Mobile \$11.35
Pensacola \$10.75

Tickets on sale February 12 to 19 inclusive. Liberal return limit and stopover privileges.

All steel equipment, drawing room, sleeping cars and dining cars, service a la carte.

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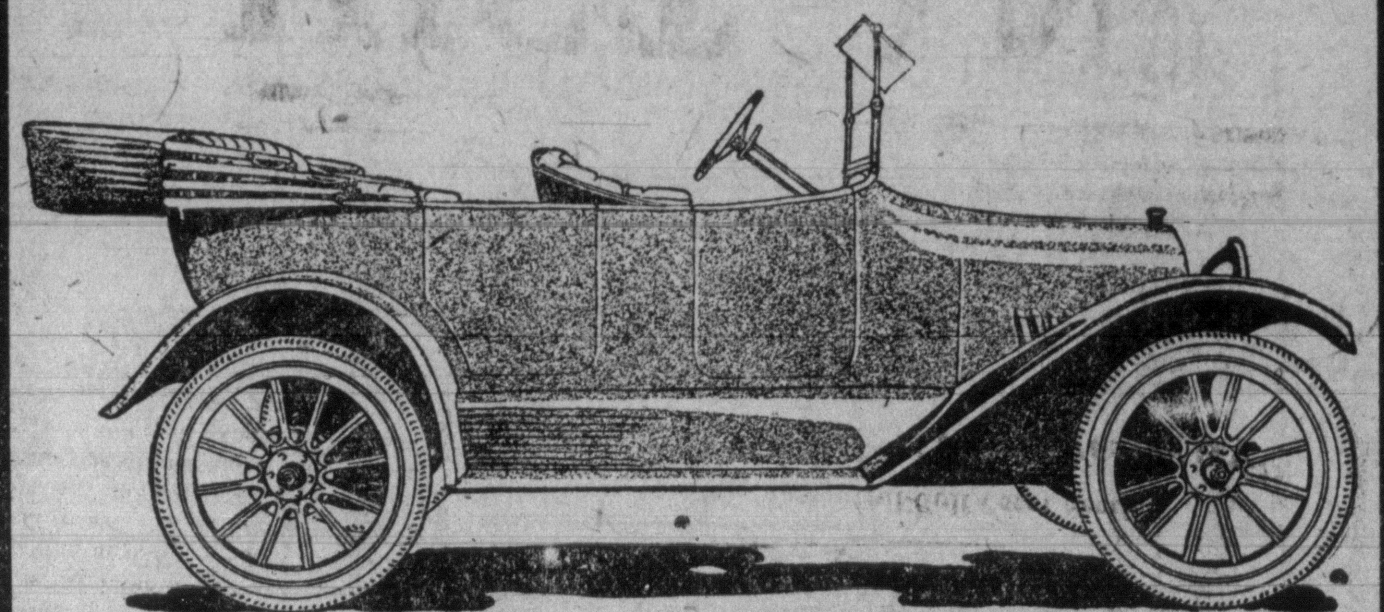
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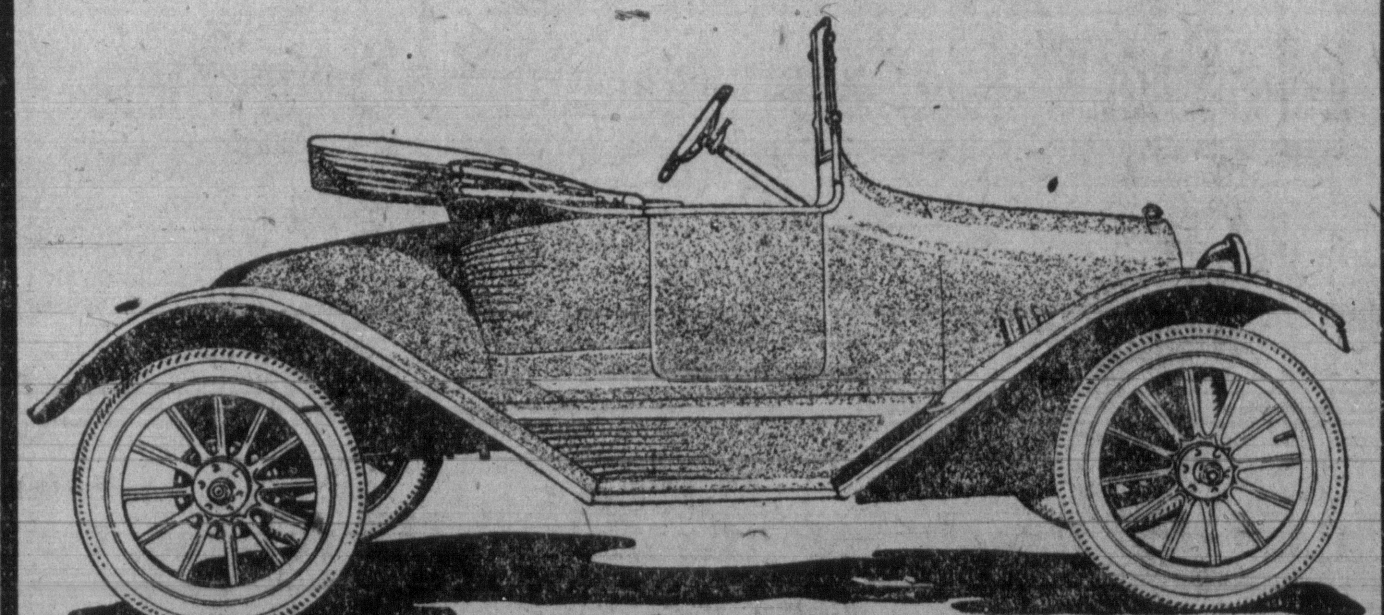
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RESOURCES.	LIABILITIES.
Loans.....\$334,450.00	Paid Up Stock.....\$163,200.00
Payments in Arrears.....25,787.70	Prepaid Stock.....102,665.03
Real Estate.....27,383.33	Installment Stock.....128,115.96
Real Estate Sold on Payments.....7,895.26	Surplus.....6,000.00
Insurance Premiums Advanced.....366.03	Undivided Profits.....10,958.34
Taxes Advanced.....67.91	
Repairs Advanced.....79.90	
Cash.....20,009.20	
\$416,039.33	\$416,039.33